

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 715

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the Morristown Police Department K-9 unit for an exemplary performance during recertification.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should recognize those exceptional law enforcement officials whose commitment to excellence and dedication to their communities are a credit to this State; and

WHEREAS, the officers of the Morristown Police Department's K-9 unit are among the most skilled and competent law enforcement officials that Tennessee has to offer; and

WHEREAS, the Morristown Police Department recently took part in an annual K-9 recertification training program hosted by the Sevierville Police Department; the department sent six K-9 teams to the program, two of which earned top honors; and

WHEREAS, Officer Paul Pressley and K-9 Juno competed against six other explosive ordnance teams in various scenarios throughout the week; the pair received the highest score and was given top honors; and

WHEREAS, Officer Blake McCarter and K-9 Riot received an award for building searches, setting an example for the thirty-five other teams competing for the award and for the law enforcement community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, throughout the week, the Morristown Police Department's K-9 teams served as a model of the sort of excellence to which law enforcement officers across the State should aspire; and

WHEREAS, we find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the Morristown Police Department's K-9 officers for their dedication to the State of Tennessee and to the protection of its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend the Morristown Police Department's K-9 officers for their exceptional performance during recertification, thank them for their service to the people of this State, and extend to them our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.